

#### STATE OF HAWAII OFFICE OF ELECTIONS

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April 30, 2013

Ms. Charlotte Carter-Yamauchi, Acting Director Legislative Reference Bureau State Capitol, Room 446 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Ms. Carter-Yamauchi:

For your information and consideration, I am transmitting two (2) copies of the Report to the Legislature in accordance with Section 31 of Act 164, Session Laws of Hawaii 2011. Also enclosed are the letters of transmittal to the Senate President and Speaker of the House.

Very truly yours,

SCOTT T. NAGO Chief Election Officer

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The Honorable Joseph M. Souki, Speaker and the Members of the House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Speaker Souki and Members of the House of Representatives:

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The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim, President and the Members of the Senate Twenty-Seventh State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kim and Members of the Senate:

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# Report to the Twenty-Seventh State Legislature 2013 Regular Session

#### Relating to Office of Election Budget Provisions

As Required by Act 164, Session Laws of Hawaii 2011

April 30, 2013

Section 31 of Act 164, Session Laws of Hawaii 2011, provides that the Office of Elections will submit quarterly reports concerning (1) vacancies; (2) travel and overtime expenditures; (3) milestones, accomplishments and activities of the Chief Election Officer; and (4) an updated planning timeline for the 2012 Elections. The following is a report of the Office of Elections for the time period of January 1, 2013 through March 31, 2013.

(1) An updated list of vacant positions, noting current recruitment status.

The following positions were vacant at the end of the last quarter.

POSITION NUMBER	TITLE
100362E	Section Head (BOPS)
101158E	Section Head (ESS)
101162E	Section Head (CCOPS)
101889E	Information Communication Systems Analyst
105766E	Election Logistics Worker

The Ballot Operations Section Head position is currently going through the civil service conversion process. Upon conversion of the position, civil service recruitment will occur. While the position is being converted a staff member has been temporarily assigned to the position.

The Election Support Services Section Head has been filled. The civil service recruitment was primarily conducted during the last quarter, resulting in the ability to fill the position during the early part of this quarter.

The Counting Center Operations Section Head position is currently out for recruitment. An internal vacancy announcement has been issued for interested civil service employees. Assuming no candidates are found, the Department of Human Resources Development will issue a statewide announcement for additional applicants. While the position is out for recruitment, a staff member has been performing the duties of the position.

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The Information Communications Systems Analyst position is currently out for recruitment. We expect to fill this position in the near future.

The Election Logistics Worker position is currently out for recruitment. We expect to fill this position in the near future.

(2) A detail of travel and overtime expenditures of the quarter, including justification or reason for expenditure.

The Elections Commission held meetings on Oahu during the last quarter. As such, travel expenditures were made for neighbor island members to attend the meeting. Additionally, the Elections Commission as part of their investigation flew a former Chief Election Officer to Oahu from the County of Hawaii to interview him. Finally, an election specialist, whose focus is disability access, flew to Maui to provide voter outreach to the disabled.

Attached hereto as Exhibit A is true and correct copy of a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet reflecting in detail the travel expenditures posted to the state financial accounting and management information system (FAMIS) during the last fiscal quarter.

No overtime was accrued by staff during this quarter.

(3) A detailed listing of milestones, accomplishments, and activities of the chief election officer and each section occurring during the quarter.

Chief Election Officer. The Chief Election Officer testified on a variety of bills to the Legislature relating on a variety of matters relating to elections. Additionally, meetings with the Elections Commission were held to discuss the ballot shortages that occurred during the General Election. Finally, the Chief Election Officer worked with the City to see if it would be willing to enter into a memorandum of agreement to work with the Office of Elections on ensuring the online voter registration system required by Act 225, SLH 2012 would be in place by the 2016 Primary Election. This was necessary as the City and County of Honolulu manages the state driver license and state identification card databases on behalf of the Department of Transportation, in addition to the voter registration database. Unfortunately, the City has other commitments which do not permit them to work on developing the online voter registration system. As such, the Office of Elections is exploring developing a separate system housed with the State that would communicate with the City's databases.

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Ballot Operations Section. This section has been in a period of transition following the difficulties it faced during the General Election. A staff member has been temporarily assigned as section head, while the section head position goes through the civil service conversion process and the recruitment process. In the interim, the section's standard operating procedures have been revised and updated, including those related to the ordering of ballots.

Computer Services Section. This section continued its support of all the information and technology needs of the Office of Elections. Additionally, the section has provided technical support to the Department of the Attorney General, as it relates to the reapportionment litigation, given that the section previously supported the Reapportionment Commission during the development of its reapportionment plans.

Counting Center Operations Section. The Chief Election Officer, who previously held the position of counting center operations section head, has assigned a staff member the duties of operating the section. The section has proceeded to revise and update all of its standard operating procedures.

Election Support Services Section. This section continued to receive, process, and report all financial transactions and activities of the Office of Elections to the Department of Accounting and General Services to which it is attached for administrative purposes. The section has revised and updated all of its standard operating procedures.

Precinct Operations Section. The section is currently coordinating with the counties to revise precinct procedures for precinct officials in addition to making determinations as to whether any precincts should be closed and news ones opened based on input gathered from members of the Legislature and the general public.

Voter Services Section. This section was focused on voter outreach in regards to registering voters and providing voter education. This includes the young voter registration project which it coordinates with the Department of Education. The section also revised and updated all of its standard operating procedures.

(4) Updated planning timeline for the 2012 elections, including justification of any changes from the previously reported timeline.

There were no changes to the previously submitted planning timeline for the 2012 Elections that were just completed.

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